## **REMARKS**

This application is a national stage filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/012564. By virtue of this amendment, changes have been submitted in order to conform the application to proper U.S. Patent and Trademark Office practice, namely to delete multiple dependencies in claims 3-6, 8-10, 12, 14-18, 20-21, 23-25 and 28-31 and to substitute the foreign language drawings with drawings containing English only, as well as to amend the title of the application. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added by virtue of these amendments.

An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **IN THE DRAWINGS**

Please replace the two (2) sheets of drawings containing Figs. 1 and 2 as published with the international application with the attached two (2) sheets of drawings containing Figs. 1 and 2.

Attachment: two sheets of replacement drawings